

# Extended through February 12, 2021

## Reporting Form

**DHHS Division/Office issuing this notice:** Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE)

**Date of this notice:** December 3, 2020

Extension Notice: Applications will be accepted through February 12, 2021.

**RFA Title:** Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Renewal Grant Needs

Assessment Update

## **Purpose:**

The purpose of this RFA is to contract with an entity to update NC's statewide B-5 Needs Assessment to provide comprehensive information to guide North Carolina's strategic planning efforts to strengthen its early childhood system and services.

#### **Description:**

The successful applicant will review information/data summarized in the initial PDG B-5 Needs Assessment from other needs assessments or reports and identify any new data available for updating or adding to the PDG B-5 Needs Assessment. They will prepare a written PDG B-5 Needs Assessment Update report that summarizes relevant updated or new information and data; identifies gaps; and offers recommendations about next steps in addressing the needs.

#### **Funding Availability:**

A contract will be awarded from this RFA over an initial **8.5-month** period of funding, with the opportunity to extend for up to 6 additional months depending on the availability funds. Up to \$380,500 will be available for the initial funding period of **April 15, 2021** through December 30, 2021, and up to \$100,000 may be available for a second funding period of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

Should a carry forward or no cost extension option be granted to DCDEE by the federal funder, the same option will be available to the contractor.

#### **Eligibility:**

This RFA is open to state agencies and universities, public and private nonprofit organizations with a current 501(c)(3) standing with knowledge of North's Carolina's early childhood education mixed delivery system and expertise in conducting research and presenting data, providing consultation to state and local government agencies/personnel and providing analysis of emerging conditions and child well-being.

## How to Apply:

Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Renewal Grant Needs Assessment Update RFA and required attachments will be posted to the DCDEE website: https://ncchildcare.ncdhhs.gov/Whats-New on December 14, 2020.

#### **Intent to Apply:**

Eligible agencies and/or organizations interested in applying for this RFA are encouraged to notify DCDEE of their intent to apply via the following link, (<a href="https://northchealth.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_bKMjENqqCKOCNDf">https://northchealth.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_bKMjENqqCKOCNDf</a>) no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 4, 2021. Agencies are not required to notify of their intent to respond to this RFA but are

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encouraged to do so to assist DCDEE in planning.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., February 12, 2021.

#### **How to Obtain Further Information:**

For more information or to obtain a copy of the complete Request for Application please contact: Tilneil Gary (<u>DCDEE.PDGContracts.Unit.RFA@dhhs.nc.gov</u>) and Sharon Johnson (<u>DCDEE.PDGContracts.Unit.RFA@dhhs.nc.gov</u>).